I have been a resident of Montgomery County, MD since 2013. In 2022, Montgomery County's Voluntary Rent Guidelines (VRG) recommended a rent increase of .4%, my rent was increased 10%, 25x more than what was recommended per the VRG. This is completely unacceptable and the Council must act to prohibit such wild deviations from the VRG.

I urge all Montgomery County Council Members to support Bill 16-23, Landlord-Tenant Relations – Rent Stabilization (The HOME Act) to prevent landlords in Montgomery County from raising rent by 25x what the VRG recommendation is.

Thank you for your consideration.

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